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### AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph under the heading "ABSTRACT" with the following amended paragraph:

-- A multi-layer golf ball comprising a core, a water vapor barrier layer and a cover is provided. The core ~~may have any construction and~~ may have multiple layers. The core may also have a solid or liquid center or wound layers, and may be constructed from a polybutadiene with mid to high Mooney viscosity. The water vapor barrier layer preferably comprises a copolymer of ethylene and methacrylic acid. The water vapor barrier layer may also ~~include either an acid terpolymer, such as a terpolymer of ethylene, methyl acrylate and acrylic acid, or a copolymer of ethylene and acrylic acid, or both.~~ Preferably, the water vapor barrier layer has an acid content of about 3% by weight to about 25% by weight. ~~In accordance to another aspect of the invention, the water vapor barrier layer has~~ have a high flow melt index, such that a thin layer from about 0.030 inch to about 0.005 inch can be achieved. ~~The outer cover can be made from any suitable material. Preferably, the outer cover is made from a thermoset polyurethane.~~ --